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"If a man had half as much insight, as he has hindsight, he would have twice as much foresight"

Texcor Hearing Will Continue

On Monday morning, January 6, 1992, the second public hearing pertaining to the license that Texcor, Inc. is seeking for a Normally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM) disposal facility got underway. The hearing is expected to take three weeks or more. The Kinney County Civic Center is being used for the hearing although next week's proceedings will be moved to Shafter Hall on Fort Clark Springs due to the K. C. 4-H and FFA Livestock Show at the Center.

Texcor, represented by Attorney Jephtha Hill, made application to the Texas Department of Health for a license to build a facility, and receive NORM byproducts, on a tract of land south of Brackettville near Spofford. An earlier public hearing was held in Kinney County in June, 1991.

Opponents to the license, and subsequently the operation of the facility, charge that health hazards, environmental pollution, and property devaluation are valid reasons to deny the license. Kinney

County, the City of Spofford, Tim Ward, Joe York, Jr., and Blake Williams are among those being represented by Attorney James Saunders.

A grassroots organization C.A.R.E. (Citizens Against Radioactive Environments) is among those being represented by Attorney Richard Lowerre.

Attorney Sarah Denton, assisted by Susan Tension, represents the Texas Department of Health. Gordon Hardin is the independent hearing examiner.

A number of additional entities opposed to the facility are involved in the hearings. Some are represented by Saunders or Lowerre, some are represented by other attorneys or officials.

Texcor contends that their geological analysis affirms that the Kinney County location is ideal for use in their proposed operation, and that their studies provide assurance no danger to community life will exist.

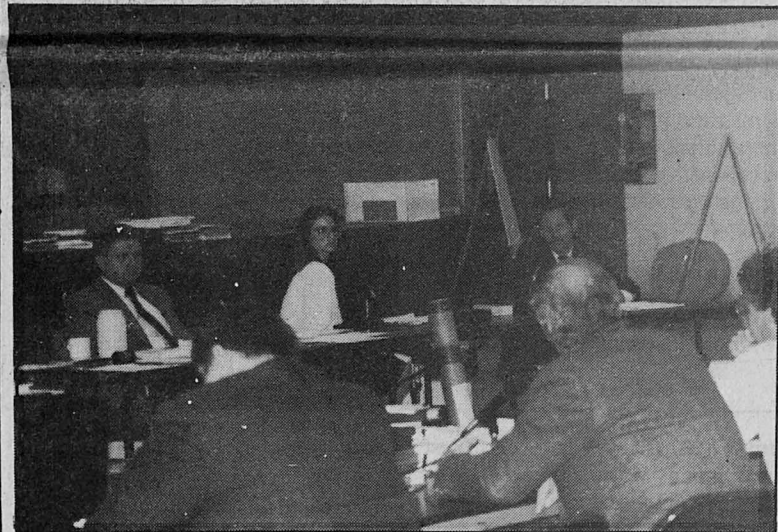
Opponents charge that Texcor lacks the experience and expertise to construct and operate such a facility.

The Texas Department of Health must determine, grant or deny, the license. In March, by recently passed legislation, jurisdiction over the licensing of such facilities will pass to the Texas Water Commission. TDH has stated opposition from the community to such a facility is not a valid cause for denying a license.

The proposed Texcor site, according to their application, would accept industrial waste from mining and oil production byproducts that are naturally radioactive but become more concentrated through industrial processes.

Such waste has not been regulated in the past, but new regulatory rules are expected to increase the market for its disposal, and herein lie the concerns of opponents.

Both sides have many expert witnesses scheduled to testify. The hearing is open to the public so that concerned citizens may hear firsthand the testimony being offered.



Hearing Examiner Gordon Hardin listens to testimony by Texcor President Charles Salsman.

Hearing Moved To Shafter Hall

The Texcor Licensing Hearing will be moved to Shafter Hall, Fort Clark Springs, for Monday January 13 - Thursday, January 16, 1992, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

The change will be made because of the Kinney County 4-H and FFA Livestock Show at the Civic Center.

"Travis" Met With Enthusiasm

The premiere of *Travis* provided a unique, delightful evening's entertainment Saturday, January 4, 1992, at the Civic Center. Not only was the film location familiar but many of the actors were.

More than half of the production was shot at Happy Shahan's Alamo Village. Robert Hooker, Richard Curilla, and Mel Green, well-known from Alamo Village had roles and were present. Jerry Clardy and Tim McNew, who did the explosives and special effects, were recognized. IMAX Theater manager, Kevin Young, co-ordinated the Re-enactors. Alamo Village Public Relations Director Lashawn Wardlaw and owner Happy Shahan handled the introductions.

Producer Greg Vaughn, and Hillcrest Foundation President D. Harold Byrd, who provided the funding, expressed pleasure with the opportunity to provide a gripping, exciting tool for teaching history, especially Texas History, through the production of *Travis*.

Endearing herself was the leading actress, Holley Vaughn, fourteen year old daughter of the producer who earned her role with her talent through an audition. When Miss Vaughn spoke of her emotions and experiences during, and since the filming, she came across for what she is - poised, friendly, charming, talented, a really nice young lady.

Roberta Byrd, Virginia Shahan, and the Vaughn family mingled through the crowd with friendly charm.

The film is very well-done. The classroom scenes are authentic student-teacher situations. The Alamo scenes are full of action. *Travis* will hold the attention of those who view it - and then, whom! appreciate your heritage.

Following the film, Sergio Salinas sang two songs before closing with *The Price Of Freedom*. Andy Perez and Clyde Hepline, who had played with Sergio in the band at Alamo Village and are now playing with a band in Premont, were there backing Sergio up on guitars. Sergio's mother was there as were two of his brothers.

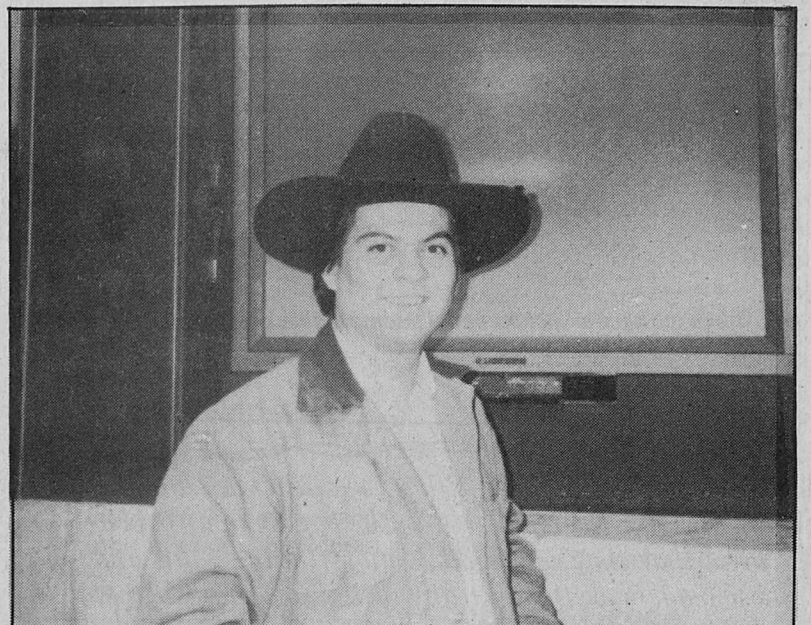
It takes a lot of people to get ready for an evening of this magnitude. Lashawn drafted her parents, Tulisha and Hadley, and friend Nelda Archer to "build" an adobe fronted stage. Lopez Bakery baked the huge cake decorated with an Alamo. Robert Hooker loaned his magnificent bronze sculpture of *The Alamo Heroes* for the centerpiece. Alamo Village cannons were stationed around. Ron Fields provided the Coca-Cola.

Certainly not least was the contribution of Mario Garcia, manager of Lack's Furniture Center, Del Rio, Mario delivered, set-up, and operated the two big screen TVs to show not only *Travis* but supplementary clips from behind the scenes during the filming.

Travis is the first in a series of films planned by Grace Products Corporation on Texas heroes for Texas children. The series will be marketed to schools and libraries for use in teaching Texas history. *Travis* is the exciting and heart warming story of a young girl who meets those who gave their lives for the freedom she takes for granted. She is assigned a report on William Barrett Travis and goes to a mysterious library to do research, and is catapulted into the past!

Suddenly, it's the year 1836. The place - an old Spanish mission called the Alamo. There 189 men fight to the death against overwhelming odds - led by a man named Travis. Trapped between the past and the present, what secret must she learn before she can go home again? See *Travis* for the answer.

The next hero's story to be filmed in the series is Sam Houston.



Mario Garcia, manager of Lack's, brought the wide screen TVs.



Sergio Salinas, Holley Vaughn, Robert Hooker admire "Alamo Heroes" sculpture.



Gary Vaughn, Harold Byrd, Happy Shahan.

Barker Lectures To Australian Students



See related story and pictures on page 9.

Hernandez Retires From TDOT

After twenty-six years and six months of service, Gilberto R. Hernandez has retired from the Texas Department of Transportation. He was honored with a retirement party last week which was attended not only by his wife, Celestina, but also his son, Gilbert, Jr., who is stationed with the U. S. Army (AVERS) in Germany, and a host of co-workers, family, and friends.

The Department has had several names since Mr. Hernandez began employment with a special crew in District 22 on April 16, 1965. Then it was the Texas Highway Department. On September 1, 1975, the name was changed to State Department of Highways and Public Transportation. On September 1, 1991, it became known as the Texas Department of Transportation.

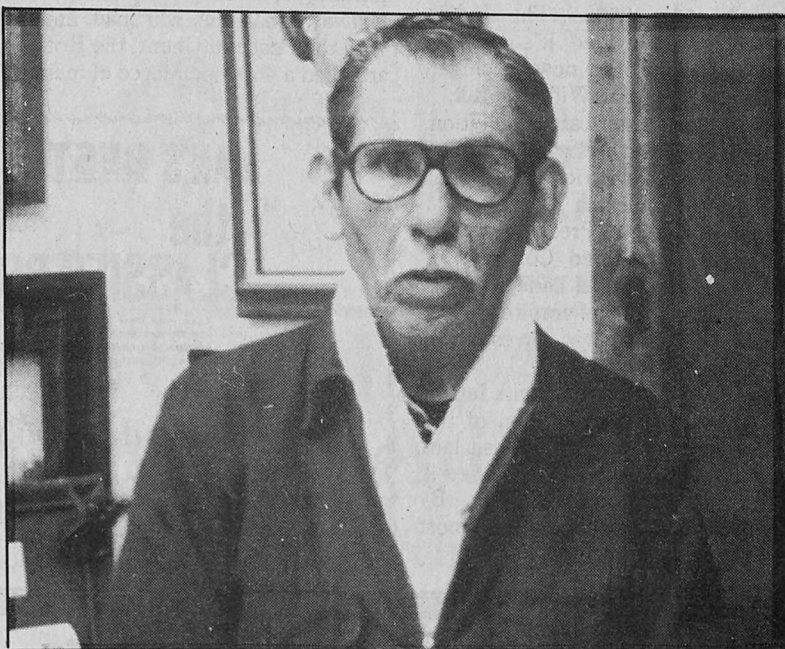
In February 1982, District 22 was closed and Mr. Hernandez transferred to a maintenance section in District 7 at Brackettville.

In District 22, he worked with supervisors Cap V. Fellows, Harold Collins, Carrol Templeton, and Horacio Castillo. During that same period of time C. N. Parsons, Fred Clark, Secundino Gutierrez and James R. Evans served as district engineers.

In District 7, he worked under D. R. Watson, Ben W. Bohuslav, and Walter G. McCullough. At the time of his retirement, Daniel Kral was his district engineer.

When asked what he planned to do with his time now, he just smiled and indicated he would do pretty much as he wanted to, but would keep plenty busy.

Congratulations, Mr. Hernandez, and may your retirement years be the best of your life.



Gilberto R. Hernandez, Sr.



Gilberto Hernandez, Celestina Hernandez, Gilberto Jr. and Daniel Kral.

Sheriff's Corner

By Sheriff Norman H. Hooten



As with most years past we were kept busier than usual this year just before, during, and after the holiday season investigating reports of various assaults, disturbances, and other misdemeanor offenses. We also responded to two felony offense reports.

The first felony offense we responded to was on December 22, 1991, which was a call for assistance from local Border Patrol Agents M. C. Hubbard and Steve Stafford. The two agents were working the Border Patrol checkpoint just west of Brackettville at the intersection of Hwy. 90 and RR 693. At approximately 10:30 p.m. on said date they contacted the Sheriff's Department to advise that they were holding a 1987 Dodge van, the driver, David Maldonado, 30, of Austin, Texas, and several passengers for possession of marijuana. Chief Deputy Sheriff David Luna responded to the call and following an on-scene investigation arrested Maldonado and seized the van. Maldonado was transported to the Kinney County Jail

and booked on 2nd degree felony charges of Possession of Marijuana. A total of 25 pounds of the expensive weed, valued at approximately \$30,000, was seized and will be held as evidence. Maldonado has been released on bond and the case will be presented at the next meeting of the Kinney County Grand Jury.

The second felony case under investigation by the Sheriff's Department was that of Felony Criminal Mischief (3rd degree) that occurred on the 18th hole of the Fort Clark Golf Course Christmas night. We received a report of the offense from Fort Clark Security Chief Karle Chism the afternoon of December 26th. Chief Chism had made a preliminary investigation that was followed by an on-sight investigation by Chief Deputy David Luna. The investigation determined that someone had driven a vehicle, believed to be a pickup, across the green several times doing extensive damage to same, estimated by Fort Clark personnel at \$1,000.00. The damage was more than would

usually occur because of the soft surface of the green that had been soaked by the recent rains.

The case was broken by this writer on information supplied by a reliable informant and the 17-year old suspect in the case confessed to the crime when confronted with the evidence. He explained that he did it "just having fun" and did not know that so much damage would be done. The information was passed on to the Fort Clark Board of Directors and they made the decision not to file charges on the young suspect if full restitution of all expenses related to the incident were paid to Fort Clark, and in addition the youth would be barred from Fort Clark for a period of one year.

This case is a prime example of expensive damage that can be done by someone "just having fun" and not realizing the effects of their actions. There is no doubt in my mind that the youthful suspect was just having a good time, but he was doing so at the expense of others. And, were it not for the understanding and forgiving nature of the Fort Clark Board of Directors this young man could very well be facing felony criminal charges, a conviction of which would follow him around the rest of his life. I sincerely hope he has learned his lesson well, and I sincerely hope that this case will stand as an example to other youngsters that we must pay for our actions when those actions infringe upon the rights and property of others.

In other Sheriff's Department activity, Deputy Jay R. Smith was assigned to travel to Travis County (Austin) and pick up a prisoner being held there on our warrants for Violation of Probation-DWI on January 4, 1992. Manuel Ramirez, 31, of Austin, was returned to Kinney County where he remains in the county jail pending a hearing on his case.

At approximately 12:30 a.m. the morning of Sunday, January 5, 1992, two local Border Patrol Agents stopped a suspicious vehicle that had run off the roadway approximately 3 miles west of Brackettville on Hwy. 90. Upon further investigation, it was determined that the driver and two occupants were juveniles. The driver of the vehicle was a 15-year old from Fort Clark, and the two occupants, aged 16 and 17, were from Brackettville. Upon a determination that all three were U. S. citizens the case was turned over to the Kinney County Sheriff's Department with Deputy Vito LaGioia and Chief Deputy David Luna responding. The juveniles were transported to the Sheriff's Office and released to their parents and/or guardians on formal custodial release. Charges against the three are pending in juvenile court.

That's All!

Filing Deadline Postponed

On January 2, 1992, Kinney County Judge Tim Ward received official notification that filing deadlines for people interested in becoming candidates for county offices had been extended until 6:00 p.m., Friday, January 10, 1992.

Word was received in the judge's office too late to be printed in the January 2 issue of The Brackett News.

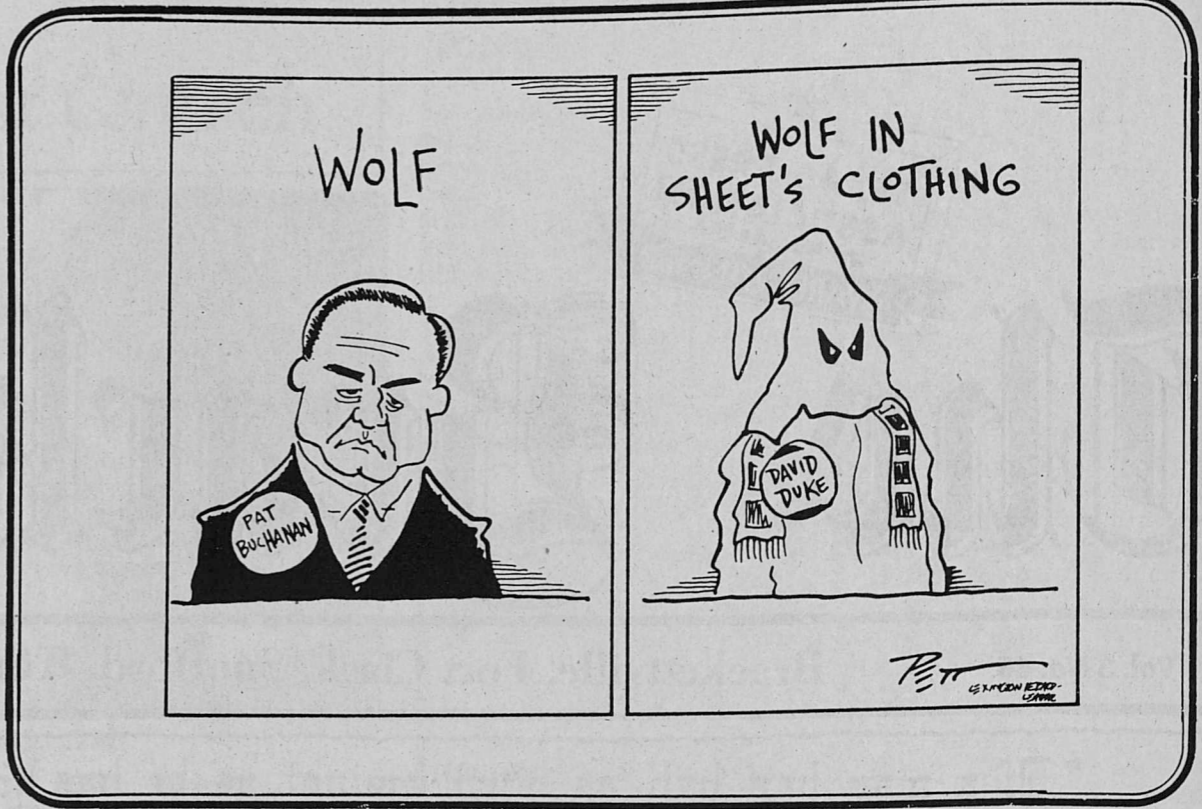
OOPS!

Apologies to Postmaster Felix Hernandez for calling him Feliz on the front page of the January 2 issue of The Brackett News.

Don't Drink and Drive! The Brackett News

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Between Us

By Joe Townsend



I'm sure there is not a person alive who would not subscribe to "safe sex." The only real question is, "What is safe sex?"

When Magic Johnson was practically deified because he admitted he had the AIDS virus and had caught it from promiscuous sex with women, he immediately was sought out to help promote "safe sex." For a few days he loudly proclaimed the need to use condoms for safe sex.

The pressure was tremendous and now he has turned honest and proclaims "safe sex" to be abstinence. This actually is the only way to practice safe sex. Pre-marital sex and promiscuous sex stands condemned not only by God and the Bible but by common morality and common sense.

When people come to accept sex as more than a toy, they will realize that sex with one mate of the opposite sex only after marriage is safe sex.

Monogamous sex only after marriage is not right and best because God says it is; God says it because it is right and best. The argument that teen agers are sexually active so mama provides

birth control pills or condoms, shows total irresponsibility on the part of the parent.

The AIDS crisis will not be solved until responsible action by parents, schools, and governmental agencies is a reality. The most dangerous actions are those that condone sexual irresponsibility and try to cover with the use of condoms. Fourteen percent of teens contracting the AIDS virus last year used condoms.

The most accurate tests prove condoms safe only eighty percent of the time. Any medicine with that high percent of failure would be blocked from use by the F.D.A.

I'm waiting to see some ambulance chasing lawyer file suit due to failure of a condom. He logically could successfully recover from the U. S. Government because Sullivan (a cabinet officer) has highly recommended it as safe sex.

Some schools could be held liable for giving out or making available free condoms.

Companies who manufacture them could be held liable. Stores who sell them could be held liable. Already there is more proven failure and damage from the use of condoms than IUDs and yet damages in the millions have been awarded by irresponsible juries in cases filed against manufacturers of IUDs.

Any person or agency that promotes the use of condoms as the answer to AIDS by providing safe sex is either ignorant or patently a liar.

Teen agers should be taught that pre-marital sex is wrong and should not be. If "Just Say No" can solve the drug problem, it's even more important regarding pre-marital sex. To say teen agers are going to have sex and so condone it and help by giving condoms is like saying teen agers are going to kill so furnish them guns, or teen agers are going to drink so furnish them beer to keep them from drinking whiskey or yet, teen agers are going to use dope so give them marijuana so they won't use crack.

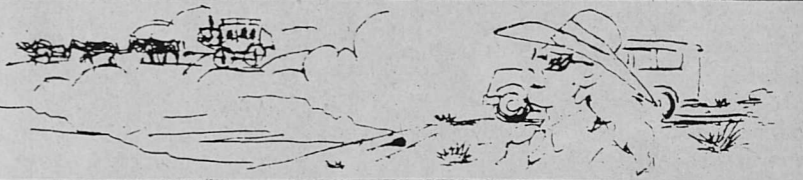
You never solve a wrong by condoning it or trying to make it acceptable. There was less money spent last year on cancer research than on HIV and AIDS. Yet the AIDS lobbyists loudly demand more money.

Eighty-eight percent of AIDS victims are either homosexuals or are infected by infected needles used for dope. There is an answer to the AIDS problem.

Responsible morality that leads to responsible sexual activity will soon end the "epidemic" the purveyors of doom so glibly predict.

Days Past

by Dorothy Payne



January 21, 1785 - The Ottawa and Wyandot Indians ceded their land in the present day state of Ohio to the new government in the Treaty of Fort McIntosh.

January 9, 1789 - The governor of the Northwest Territory reaffirmed the Treaty of Fort McIntosh, with the Ohio Indians, in the Treaty of Fort Hamar. This treaty established the principle of payment to the Indians for land received.

January 11, 1805 - The Indian Territory was divided, it's northern section became the new Michigan Territory. General William Hull, a hero in the American Revolution, was named governor, with its capital in Detroit. The District of Louisiana became the Louisiana Territory.

January 22, 1807 - President Jefferson formally notified Congress of Aaron Burr's alleged conspiracy to carve out a private empire in the Southwest. Burr was arrested in Alabama.

January 28, 1811 - The South West Fur Company was formed with John Jacob Astor as controller of two-thirds of its interest.

January 12, 1812 - Having survived the New Madrid Earthquake the steamboat "New Orleans" reached the city of the same name and became the first steamboat to make the passage from Pittsburg to New Orleans.

January 8, 1815 - With both sides unaware that the war had ended with the Peace of Ghent, the British attacked a 4500-man force of mainly

Tennessee and Kentucky sharpshooters at New Orleans. The British were thoroughly defeated, and news of the victory made the American commanding general, Andrew Jackson, a National hero.

January 17, 1821 - The Spanish governor of Texas granted a charter to Moses Austin to settle 300 families in Texas. Soon American settlers outnumbered the Mexicans there.

January 1829 - The House of Representatives defeated a bill that called for creation of a territorial government in Oregon.

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Big Mama Sez!



When we have a "pet peeve" it's remarkable how often we pet it.

PLEASE REMEMBER that we attempt to include something for everyone within the pages of our paper. We realize that that some folks enjoy finding fault and for those readers we thoughtfully include a socially acceptable number of errors within our publication.

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Grandma's Kitchen

By Grandma



Somehow we all seem to add a few inches here or there as time goes by - or is it just that our favorite T-shirt has suddenly started shrinking?

Here's a neat remedy. Slit open each side and underarm seam, separating the front from the back. Remove any bulky material that remains. Then stitch panels of matching or contrasting T-shirt fabric, sold in most fabric shops, into the seam. This gives the shirt added width, and you have a completely new book for an old shirt.

If your future plans include redecorating a bedroom, consider this helpful tip. When you buy a new bedspread, get a larger size than you need and use the extra fabric to cover the headboard, or make matching throw pillows.

Often a larger bedspread doesn't cost much more, and for that little bit of extra money, you can add a real decorator touch to your bedroom.

Do you like to make those quick and easy cross-stitch hoop projects for gifts? Well, if you want the back to look as neat as the front, save

those used dryer softener sheets, press them, then glue one to the back of each hoop, then cut away the excess. Viola! A beautiful finished project.

Did you know that if we all put a stop to all this junk mail we'd save 30 million trees every year? Junk mail isn't just a nuisance, it's an environmental hazard, and one of the simple things we can do to save the Earth is to put a stop to it. Americans receive almost 2 million tons of it every year. This is one environmental problem that's easy to correct. To help stop trash and save trees, write to companies that have your name and ask to be removed from their mailing lists, or write to Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, 6 East 43 Street, New York NY 10017, and ask that your name not be sold to mailing list companies. If this doesn't work, start returning it all to the sender, they'll soon get the message.

The other day, at a friend's house, she insisted I taste her chocolate pie. It was so good I asked for the recipe so I could share it with you.

CHOCOLATE PIE

- 1 cup sugar
- 2 Tbs. flour
- 3 Tbs. cocoa
- 4 eggs
- 1 cup milk
- 2 Tbs melted butter
- 1 Tea. vanilla
- Pinch of salt

Sift flour, sugar and cocoa together. Set aside. Beat egg yolks and add milk, butter, salt, and vanilla. Combine with dry ingredients and beat with egg beater until thoroughly mixed. Pour into an unbaked pie crust. Bake at 350° for 30 minutes or until set. Beat egg whites until stiff, adding just a pinch of soda in the beginning. Add 8 TBS. sugar, one at a time, beating well after each. Spread over the pie, sealing the edges well. Return pie to oven until topping is brown.

Here's a recipe for Spice Bread that must be a winner, sounds delicious.

SPICE BREAD

- 4 cups flour
- 1 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 Tea. ginger
- 1/2 Tea. allspice
- 1 1/2 cups seedless raisins
- 1/4 cup grated orange, or lemon rind
- 1 Tea. soda
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 cup molasses
- 2 eggs, well beaten

Sift flour with sugar and spices. Stir in raisins and rind. Dissolve soda in milk, add to flour mixture: milk, molasses, and then eggs. Mix just enough to moisten dry ingredients. Bake in 2 greased 9x5 loaf pans for 1 1/2 hours at 325°. Turn out on racks to cool. Here's some bars to make for the kids.

BARS

- 2 cups flour
- 2 eggs
- 2 Tea. soda
- 2 Tea. vanilla
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 Tea. salt
- 15 oz. crushed pineapple
- 1 cup chopped nuts

Do not drain pineapple. Combine all ingredients except nuts in a mixing bowl. Beat until smooth. Fold in nuts. Pour into a greased jelly roll pan. Bake at 325° for 25 to 30 minutes. Cool and then cut into squares.

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- 1 Tb. margarine
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 2 Tea. vanilla
- 8 oz. cream cheese

Combine softened margarine and cream cheese with powdered sugar and vanilla. Blend until smooth, spread on top of bars.

My thought for the week is: to live only for some future goal is shallow. It's the sides of the mountain that sustains life, not the top.

Now get your hug and have a safe week.

Special Love,
Grandma

Library Notes



After working at the library for three weeks, I would guess that I've met only a small percentage of our patrons. I hope to see the rest of you real soon.

This month's library memorials were in memory of Julius Oelkers by Charlie Ward, and Shirley Klucznik by Nita and Fred Clayton. Friends of the Library received memorials for Shirley Klucznik from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clayton, Aldine Edwards, C. B. and Marge Batchelor, Herb and Eileen Voracek, and Molly and Dick Schroeder. The Schroeders also donated in memory of Rachael Pittman. We thank all of you for these memorials.

The 1992 Kinney County 4-H & FFA Livestock & Project Show is coming to the Civic Center January 17-18. The Library has the entry blanks available for your convenience. To go along with the occasion, we have books set on the front table that deal with livestock and arts and crafts. Check out books like "Raising Milk Goats the Modern Way" or perhaps a book on bee keeping. "Checkering and Carving of Gunstocks" or "How To Work In Stained Glass" might give you ideas on a new hobby.

For those of you who have been waiting for new books to arrive we have some. Robin Cook's "Blind Sight" is in so get on the waiting list for that one. A new shipment of large print books arrived this week which included the autobiography of actor James Mason "Before I Forget."

For those of you interested in the golden age of radio, "Faster Than A Speeding Bullet" gives the history of radio and has quizzes to test the trivia lovers. "Make a Cow Laugh: A First Year in Farming" tells the funny story of a family who leaves the city to try their hand at farming.

The Library would like to extend thanks to Donald Allen, Guy Hibler, Mr. Gould, and Lily Schwander for their book donations. Hiram Greenway donated paperback books, and Richard Mountain donated magazines.

During the month of December, the library had 1566 books and paperbacks checked out, 988 patrons, and 29 new library cards were issued.

As always, we invite you to visit the warmest, friendliest little library in Kinney County.

Kinney County Library Staff And Volunteers

Kinney County Republican Chairman

Persons interested in filing for a place on the Republican 1992 General Primary Ballot may contact Rosemary Cervantes at 512-563-2213.

ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO READ THE THE Brackett News

Bridge Anyone

By NORMA GOULD



The Fort Clark Duplicate Club met Tuesday, December 31, in the Saber Room. A Howell Movement was used.

First place was won by Tina Banguess and Rozetta Pingent. Coming in second was Lorraine Kennedy and Joan Lindley. There was a tie for third place between Fred and Nita Clayton, and Norma Gould and Ben Pingent.

The Sunday Duplicate game has been cancelled until further notice, but the Tuesday night game will continue as usual.

Quarry Society Announces Upcoming Productions

"Busybody" And "The Glory Road"

With the end of the holiday season and the advent of winter, The Old Quarry Society For The Performing Arts will soon begin activity for 1992.

The first stage production will be Busybody which is a British mystery-comedy. Tryouts for this show will be at the Town Hall, Fort Clark Springs, at 7:00 p.m. January 20, 21, and 22. This play has roles for 4 men and 4 ladies, of various ages. All roles are open for casting, and all area residents who are interested in performing are encouraged to come out and read for a part.

Lou Schlatterer has completed an excellent set design which will provide an effective framework for dramatic action.

Rehearsal schedules will be established when the cast is chosen. At the same time crews will begin technical planning and production

work. There will be interesting and rewarding projects for every talent. No skill is unwanted, and no job is unimportant.

Later in the year, work on the 1992 edition of The Glory Road will begin in early May. Performances are scheduled for June 26 and 27, and July 3. Kinney County residents can be genuinely proud of this biennial show, which has involved close teamwork and effort by many individuals from Fort Clark, Brackettville, and surrounding ranches. Past productions have set a high standard. The show has established a tradition of audience satisfaction which we intend to match this year.

Now is the time to arrange your summer plans so you can have a share in this fine community endeavor.

We need you!



MEMBER 1992

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Beyond The Horizon

By Dorothy Payne



The Mockingbird is the official state bird of Texas, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee, and Arkansas. Although he is seen in other locations, the Mocker is best known in the Southwest.

Like most of the citizens of the southwest, this bird is cordial and friendly, cheerful and unafraid. When he has nothing else to do he is never bored, he just sings.

The Mockingbird is no coward as many cats can testify. He considers where he lives as his territory. One Mocker lives in my yard and my yard is his personal property.

He mocks the other birds, it's true, but when danger appears he has a special bugle note that says, "call to arms." When an intruder appears, this bird and his friends dart in, peck, flutter, and shriek until the culprit is ready to sneak away. They will risk death to defend their nest. As soon as the danger is past, the bird will resume a cheerful song from some nearby perch.

His song on moonlit nights is welcome and cheerful.

The Mockingbird can leap up from his perch, turn a half-dozen flips in the air without missing a note. He's a great show-off and sings to get your attention. Although he has a perfectly good song of his own, he mocks and mimics everything he hears, even a squeaky wheel barrow.

No one knows why Mother Nature gave the Mocker the ability to mimic songs and sounds. There is an old legend of how he stole his music.

Long ago the old owl who was supposed to be very wise, ruled the forest, before any bird had the gift of song. One day the owl sent out word that he would teach every bird a

song, if they would come to his studio in a hollow tree. All the birds were very excited. First came the Robin, the Sparrow, and some others. The old owl stuck his head out of his door and said, "Where is that grey bird, why doesn't he come to learn his song?" And, perched above the Owl, the Mockingbird began to sing. He had listened to all the other birds learning their songs and could sing them all.

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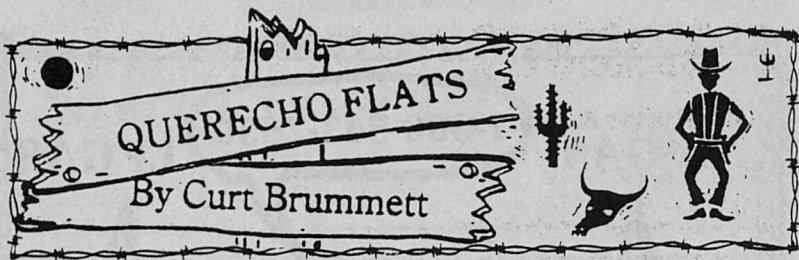


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Village Idiots, Incorporated

Querecho Flats has a lot in common with most places that is of the same size, like it's own little groups of people, such as The Church of The Better Than Thou and Pert-Near Perfect People, or even the gang over at Garlan's Mostly General Store and Post Office.

Even the little group that lays out at Karl's Konstant Kitchen and Kar Kare Salon can be compared to a few small places in the civilized world.

You may have guessed what this is leading up to, and in case you haven't I'll tell ya.

The Village IDIOT. Or in this case, the Village IDIOTS.

Unlike one small town that I had heard about, Querecho Flats has always been able to afford a full time village idiot. We have never had to borrow a village idiot twice a week, or even once a month. Mainly because Querecho Flats has the market cornered on Village Idiots.

I can give you one example of how most of the town can be qualified for the title.

Querecho Flats has more welders per capita than any other little town in the world. All of these welders are certified for welding in the oil field. You know, high pressure type welding.

Of course, when you have this many welders in one small area the competition is really tough and there is some hard feelings about one getting more work than another, or a little jealousy about the type of equipment that one can afford and the other cannot.

The welders take turns trading at Garlan's and Karl's, because they are just different, and can't stay in good standings with the oilies or the ranchers.

The oilies over at Karl's think the welders are all over paid and under worked and the ranchers over at Garlan's think the welders are charging more than the law allows and have told the welders that they should come down on prices so the rancher can afford to hire one every now and then instead of having to do it their selves.

Well the water system in our fair little community kinda rotted out. It had only been here since 1953 and time had taken its toll. There were leaks and patches, and then the patches started to leak, and finally there was more holes and patches than solid pipe line.

The village leaders got together and decided to replace the old pipe line. Not with plastic pipe, because the gophers could chew it up and the temperature changes would make it crack. So they decided to put in all new steel pipe.

The Querecho Flats water co-op had enough money to have it all done by professionals if the price was right. So bids were asked for and received.

The welders all agreed on the same price for the labor and their equipment. \$32.50 per hour. And they had their own insurance. This seemed reasonable since the co-op would be supplying the pipe, and the contractor to dig the ditches.

But the town leaders thought this was too much money and opted to hire a contractor from Takeyville, USA to do it all and furnish the pipe to boot.

The job was started and after about 3 months and several advances on the pay, it was finally completed. All of the welders around town had tried to explain to the town leaders that their way was cheaper and more reliable, but the all knowing and highly knowledgeable leaders wouldn't listen.

Twenty-one days after the job was completed and water was running through the line, people started complaining about the rusty taste and the fine film of grease that was left on their plates after the daily dish washing (the only ones not to complain about the rusty taste and the fine film of grease, were the ones that were drinking coffee and eating at Karl's, and that's because they never noticed any difference).

Well come to find out, the town leaders had saved about a third on the repair bill by hiring the so called contractor. Of course the savings was split 5 ways.

And after 22 days of water running through our new pipe line we started getting leaks that were bigger than the ones in the old pipe line. All that high pressure paint started wearing off and leaving holes you could throw a cat through.

Of course the contractor was no where to be found.

A town meeting was called and there was some explaining to be done by the town leaders. It was finally agreed that the co-op would buy it's own new pipe, a ditch digger would dig the ditches and our own welders would put everything together like it should 'ave been done in the first place.

One more thing. The town leaders wanted to know just who the smart aleck was that changed the name of the Querecho Flats Town Hall to Querecho Flats Hall of Village Idiots.

I might add, that it was a really nice sign, and it looked like it had been put together by at least six different welders.

**Wave The Red, White, Blue
Old Quarry Cabaret Dinner**

Saturday, January 25, 1992

The Old Quarry Society will have a Cabaret Dinner with Jay Meadors of San Antonio returning by popular request to entertain us at the piano.

Jay will entertain us throughout the evening with "Musical Memories" in color. And, like crayola, he may even have some new colors to surprise us with. Get ready for a fun-filled evening as Jay has his own "patter" to go along with the music. Get ready to wave

your flag as we do know the finale colors will be RED, WHITE, AND BLUE.

Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. at Las Moras Inn and the cash bar will open at 6:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$13.50 each for Prime Rib. Seating will be limited so get your tickets early at the Adult Center, The Brackett News, Members Service, or from members of the Old Quarry Society.



Marjorie Adams Duncan

**Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.
Promotes Spofford Native**

Marjorie Adams Duncan has been promoted to Accounting Supervisor for Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. She will be responsible for the operations of the Construction Accounting Department. Mrs. Duncan joined the company in 1979.

Since that time, she has served Vendor Correspondent, Accounting Clerk and most recently an Hourley Supervisor.

She and her husband, Phil, are residents of Prairie Creek, Arkansas. Phil is also a Wal-Mart associate working as a Division Manager in Store Planning.

Mrs. Duncan, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buck Johnson, grew up in Kinney County at Spofford. Her father was a Kinney County Commissioner for thirty-two years. He died in

May of 1983 and her mother now lives in Luling.

Marjorie and her sister and two brothers attended school in Brackettville. Brother Sam now lives at Richmond, Texas, brother Wayne lives at Eagle Pass, Texas, and sister Gloria Matherne lives at Baytown, Texas.

Marjorie was married to Rich Adams, a former Fort Clark Springs General Manager, who died February 14, 1983.

Mrs. Duncan still owns a home in Unit #1, Fort Clark Springs, which O'Roarke Realty sees after. She was at Fort Clark during the Thanksgiving season to attend a family reunion.

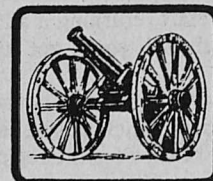
Two of her especially close friends with whom she keeps in contact are Jean Seargeant and Elbe Beard.

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**Low-income Households May
Be Eligible For Assistance**

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AUSTIN—Some low-income Texans may be eligible for help in paying heating bills this winter through the Home Energy Assistance Program, according to Texas Department of Human Services Interim Commissioner Burton F. Raiford.

Raiford said the one-time payment is available to many low-income households. Applications for energy assistance were mailed to households that received food stamps, Aid to Families with Dependent Children, or Supplemental Security Income in December. Other low-income individuals may request an application by calling the toll-free number 1-800-252-8060 during the enrollment period of Jan. 15 through Feb. 28.

Eligibility is determined by gross income and resources. Aid is available for a one-person household having less than \$662.49 gross income per month. The gross income limits are \$876.49 for

households of two persons, \$1,090.49 for three, \$1,304.49 for four, \$1,518.49 for five, and \$1,732.49 for six.

Households are eligible if the cost for heating is included in the rent payment or if the household pays part of its home energy costs.

Energy assistance checks are sent directly to the people who are eligible for assistance. However, the checks are made payable to the energy provider.

Someone receiving an energy assistance check should mail it or take it in person to the energy provider business office with their regular energy bill. The check can be cashed only by the energy provider. If the check is more than the energy bill, the additional amount will be credited to the person's account for the next month's bill. If the energy bill is higher than the check, the person is responsible for paying the difference.

1991 Tax Brochure Available

DALLAS—A free brochure providing tips on how to lower your 1991 federal income tax is now available from the Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants (TSCPA). The brochure, "Thirty-two Tax Facts, a 1991 Tax-Preparation Checklist", includes valuable information on the records you'll need, where to look for your deductions and the types of allowable deductions for 1991.

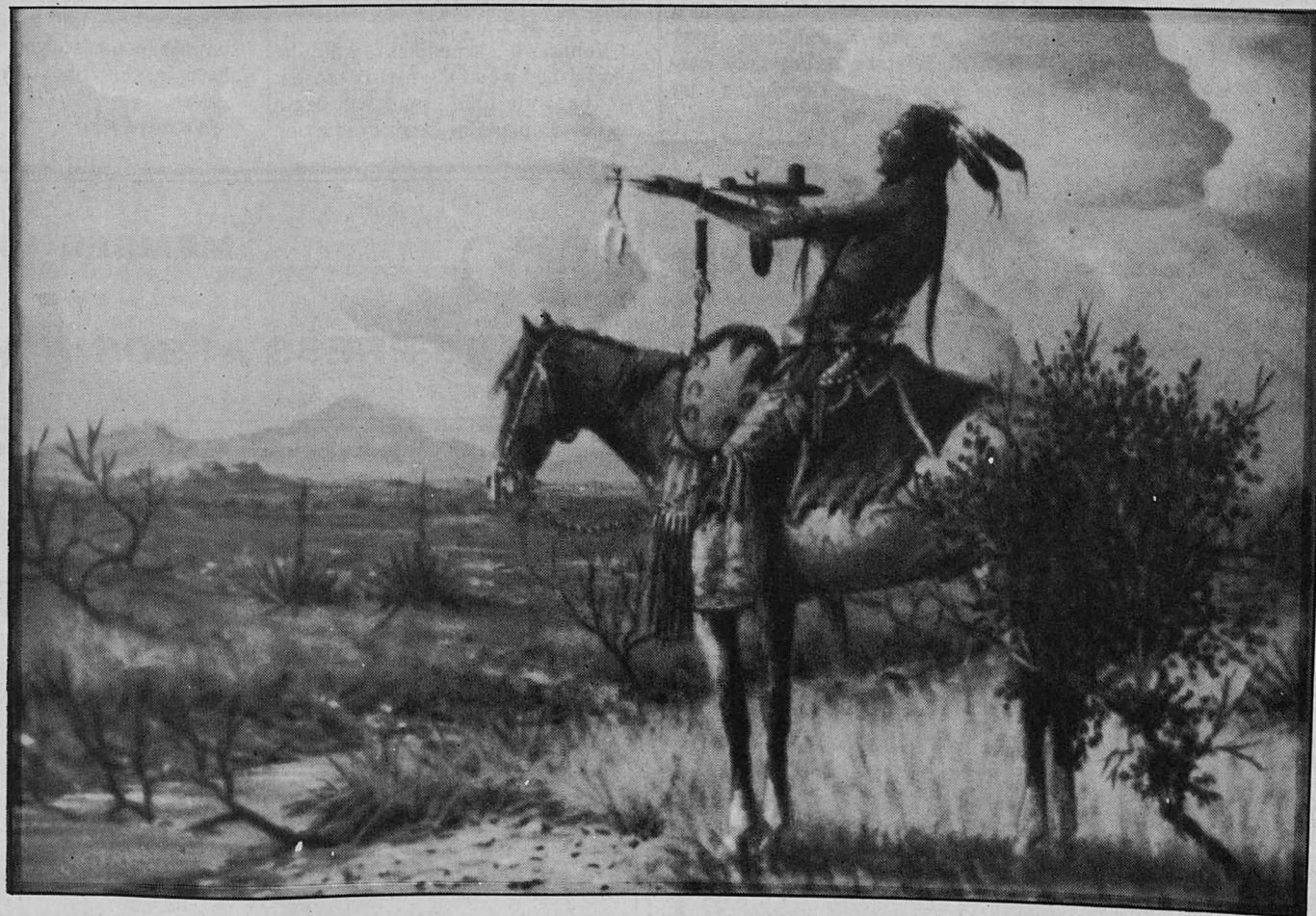
"This brochure can be a valuable tool in helping taxpayers minimize their tax bill," said Bob Mann, president of the Texas Society of CPAs. "In straight-forward and easy to understand terms, it points

out possible deductions." The brochure was produced by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

TSCPA is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting professionalism among CPAs and influencing excellence in education throughout the state. Headquartered in Dallas, the 31,000-member Society has the largest in-state membership in the nation.

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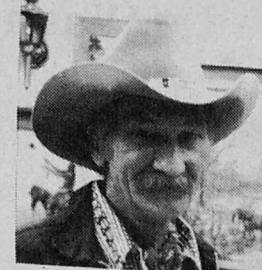
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Golf News

By Vicki Nichols



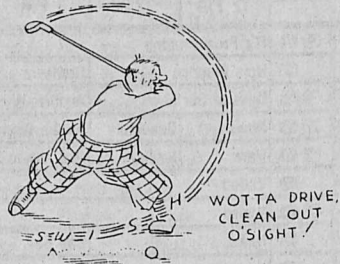
Activities have been pretty slow at the golf course. Due to the holidays and the rains, all scheduled events were postponed until January 7.

Have you noticed the new stairs at #17 men's tee? Also, have you seen all the tree trimming that is going on? Maybe we need to have a big "Bon Fire Party" complete with hot dogs and marshmallows for roasting.

The improvements to the driving range were dismissed by the FCS Board of Directors. It seems the golf members opposed it.

I was not aware that it was brought to a vote or even discussed by the golf members.

It was an activity that could have been enjoyed by all Fort Clark members. Not many of whom want, or are able, to go out on the range and pick up a couple hundred balls.



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THANK YOU

I wish to thank all of my friends for the cards, food, visits, and prayers prior to and following my open-heart surgery.

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Evelyn Whitley

Unsung Hero

by Joe Townsend



There is a young man in our community who was born in the area and has spent almost all of his life here.

He was a good student in school and has been well liked within the parameter of people who had any contact with him.

He has done well in his college work.

He is a thoughtful, courteous and gracious young man. He has great respect for himself and hence is well respected by others.

He is devoted to his family and has many high quality friends.

Surely "Dutch" Wardlaw is an "Unsung Hero."

Sports Quiz by Larry Duncan

- Name the only NHL defensive player to win the MVP trophy a record four times.
- Name the only major league baseball pitcher to pitch back-to-back no-hitters.
- Name the winningest left-handed baseball pitcher of all-time.
- Name the first pro golfer to earn over \$1 million.
- Name the only World Hockey Association team to win three championships.
- Name the first ABA basketball player to be awarded an MVP Award in 1968.
- Name the first ABA basketball player to be awarded a Rookie of the Year Award in 1968.
- What was the original name of the NCAA's Florida Citrus Bowl?

Top C&W Singles

- Collin Raye "Love, Me," (Epic) Last Week: No. 3
- Tracy Lawrence "Sticks and Stones," (Atlantic Pro) No. 8
- Sammy Kershaw "Cadillac Style," (Mercury) No. 6
- Tanya Tucker "(Without You) What Do I Do With Me," (Capitol) No. 5
- The Remingtons "A Long Time Ago," (BNA) No. 7
- Doug Stone "A Jukebox With A Country Song," (Epic) No. 11
- Restless Heart "You Can Depend On Me," (RCA) No. 9
- Vince Gill "Look At Us," (MCA) No. 12
- Sawyer Brown "The Dirt Road," (Curb) No. 16
- Steve Wariner "Leave Him Out Of This," (Arista) No. 10

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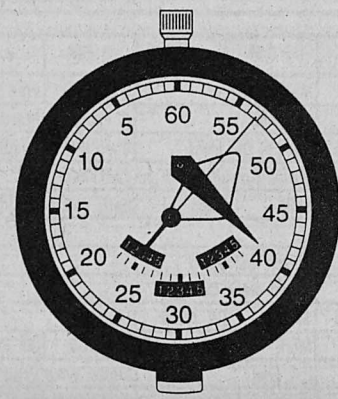
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testing and financial aid. The most up-to-date information regarding the application process, college majors, entrance requirements, financial aid, and meeting deadlines will be available.

College admission directors, high school guidance counselors and financial aid personnel will be answering the (10) phone lines. Spanish-speaking counselors will be available.

People in Texas may telephone 1-800-253-8989 with their questions about college selection, admission,



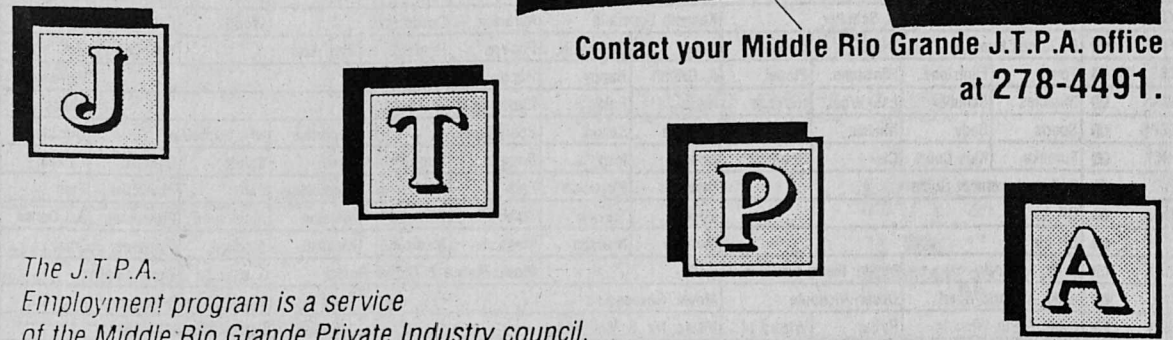
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Tiger Tracks

Catching Up On Basketball

Tigerettes Win Own Tourney

By LYNN FLOYD
Brackett School Reporter

2 - 0 In District

Tigerettes Win By 34 Points

The Tigerettes won the Brackett Invitational Tournament before the Christmas holiday.

In the first round it was the Tigerettes on top 69 - 53 over D'Hanis. All 12 Tigerettes scored.

McDaniel led in scoring with 14 points and 16 rebounds. Terrazas had 13 points and 6 assists. Dee Ann Frerich had 7 points, Amanda Davis and Myrna Gonzalez had 6, Nina Gonzalez had 5, Jennifer Shahan and Kim Ahrens 4, Jennifer Terrazas and Tanya Frerich 3, and Valerie Talamantez 2.

The Tigerettes then played Crystal City in round two action winning 47 - 39. Terrazas scored a total of 11 points, 9 of which came in the first period. McDaniel had 10 points and 16 rebounds. Brandt had 8, Dee Frerich 6, with Nina Gonzalez, Tanya Frerich and Davis all adding a pair.

The Tigerettes then soundly trounced LaPryor 55 - 23 for the Championship. Terrazas had 14 points. Dee Frerich 13, Brandt and Myrna 6, Tanya and Nina 4 and Wendy 2.

Theresa Terrazas and Wendy McDaniel were named to the all-tournament team. The winner of the free throw contest between games was Dee Ann Frerich. Congratulations to the entire Tigerette team.

The Tigerettes now have a 2 - 0 record in district and are 13 - 3 overall. They are averaging 48.5 points a game to their opponent's 40.8.

Coach Nowlin's ladies hosted the Natalia Palominos January 3 for the second district game and won easily 55 - 21.

McDaniel scored 11 points and 15 rebounds to lead both teams. The Frerich cousins combined with 10 apiece, Theresa and Nina 6, Michelle and Amanda 4, Shahan and Myrna each added 2.

The Tigerettes outscored Natalia 29 - 9 in the first half to cruise their way to victory. But the Tigerettes suffered a low blow when Theresa left the game in the second half with a sprained ankle and will miss some important games.

Cubettes

Outscored By

Sabinal

The Cubettes lost to Sabinal 23 - 17 Monday night. Samantha Luna and Dennice Frerich both scored 6, Angela LaGioia and Sandra Hernandez 2 with Dennice Frerich adding a free throw.

The Cubs and the Cubettes will travel to Nueces Canyon Saturday for an all day tournament.

The Tigerettes traveled to Lytle Tuesday, December 17 to face the Lady Pirates.

Brackett never went ahead until late in the third period and went on to win the district opener 57 - 51.

Wendy McDaniel led in scoring and rebounding with 17 and 11. Dee Ann Frerich scored in double figures with 14 points, and 10 rebounds. Tanya Frerich added 8, Theresa Terrazas sunk two three point baskets for 6 points, with Myrna Gonzalez and Nina Gonzalez contributing 5 apiece. Michelle Brandt had 2.

This was an important game for Coach Greg Nowlin and his young but experienced Tigerettes. They beat the team picked to be on top in the district race.

Tigers Edged Out

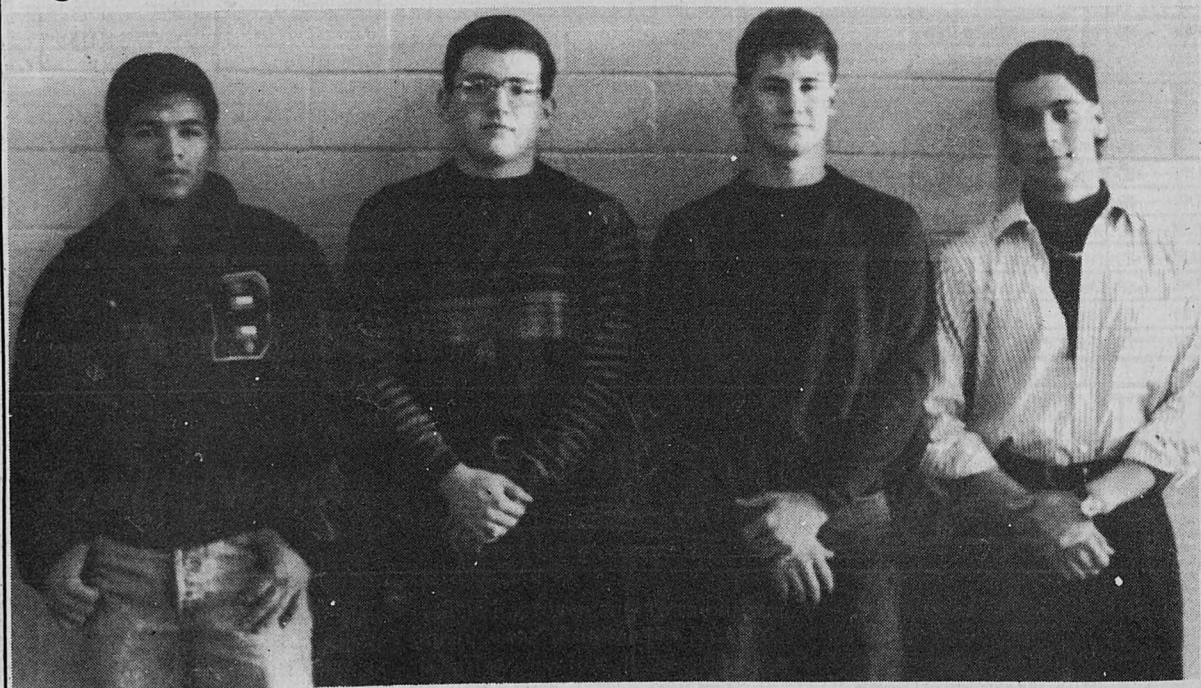
The Tiger Basketball Team traveled to Eagle Pass last Friday to face the 5a Eagle Pass Eagles for the second time. Coach Glass' team was fired up as they wanted revenge from their 3-point loss to them in the "Jungle" three weeks prior.

Again, the Eagles man power was too much as they won 61 - 59.

Lesly Floyd and Tevin Senne both had 13 points with Senne racking up 15 rebounds also. W.T. Hunt had 10 points, Lynn Floyd and Scott Sims 8, Hernandez 5 (5 out of 7 from the free throw line), and Terrazas made 2.

Senne is ranked 31st in scoring and 6th in rebounding in the greater San Antonio area. Sims is 29th and Hernandez is 32nd in rebounding.

Tigers Named To Southwest Texas Area Football Team



All-Southwest Texas Area Football Choices: Linebacker Angel Jaso, Offensive Lineman Scott Sims, Wide Receiver Tevin Senne, and Defensive Back Adrian Pena.

Four Brackett High School football players from the 1991 team were chosen to the All-Southwest Texas Area Football Team by the Uvalde Leader-News.

They are Tevin Senne, wide receiver, Scott Sims, offensive lineman, Angel Jaso, linebacker, and Adrian Pena, defensive back.

The All-Southwest Texas area includes the counties of Atascosa, Bandera, Dimmitt, Edwards, Frio, Gillespie, Kendall, Kerr, Kinney, Maverick, Medina, Real, Uvalde, and Val Verde. Nominations are made by area football coaches and sports writers.

Sports Quiz Answers

- Eddie Shore, (Boston);
- Johnny Vander Meer (June 11 & 15, 1938);
- Warren Spahn 363;
- Arnold Palmer (1968);
- Winnipeg Jets (1976, 78-79);
- Connie Hawkins, Pittsburgh Pipers);
- Mel Daniels, Minnesota;
- Tangerine Bowl changed to Florida Citrus Bowl in 1983

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Breakfast

- MONDAY, JANUARY 13 Hot Cereal - Cinnamon Toast Fruit - Milk
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 Cheese Toast Grape Juice Milk
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 Bean Burrito Fruit Juice - Milk
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 Biscuit & Sausage Fruit Juice - Milk
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 NO SCHOOL

Lunch

- MONDAY, JANUARY 13 Chili Cheese Dog Choice of Vegetable Green Salad with Dressing Cobbler - Milk
- TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 Pork Chop/Gravy Whipped Potatoes - Green Beans Roll - Milk
- WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 Hamburger - Burger Salad French Fries - Cookie Milk
- THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 Enchiladas - Ranch Beans Spanish Rice - Fruit Milk
- FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 LIVESTOCK SHOW NO SCHOOL

Daytime Television Guide



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Nutrition Center Menu. MONDAY, JANUARY 13: Pork Chops, Corn Bread Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce - Spinach, Hot Rolls - Cupcakes. TUESDAY, JANUARY 14: Hamburger Stew, Pickled Beets, Green Beans W/Bacon Bits, Biscuits - Vanilla Pudding. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15: Chicken Fried Steak W/Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cauliflower, Hot Rolls - Fruited Jello. THURSDAY, JANUARY 16: Chili Con Carne, Pinto Beans - Spanish Rice, Crackers - Applesauce. FRIDAY, JANUARY 17: Beef Tips over Noodles, Garden Salad - Corn, Hot Rolls - Tapioca Pudding. Milk, Margarine and Beverage Served With Every Meal

SCHOOL KIDS ARE EVERYWHERE. SO DRIVE WITH CARE! School's back in session, so watch for children and be extra careful driving - especially during the time before and after classes. Image of a school bus.

County Agent News

by Allan L. M. Williams



Plant Pecan Trees Properly

One of the keys to growing pecans, whether in the backyard or in a commercial orchard, is to plant the trees properly so that they get off to a good start.

Tree planting time is fast approaching - January and early February are the best times and here are a few guidelines.

To begin, select a tree 4 to 8 feet tall as soon as nurseries get supplies. Plant as soon as possible using care not to let roots dry out or freeze.

Dig hole only as large as the tree's root system. If the hole is too deep, the tree will settle and this can cause poor growth or death.

The taproot should sit in the bottom of the hole. If the hole cannot be as deep as the length of the roots, cut back the taproot to fit the hole.

Pack the original soil around roots as tightly as possible. Packing the soil in 2 to 3 inch layers is better than watering to pack the soil. Use adjacent soil to complete filling the hole, not light soil, sand or potting soil. The tree can drown in rainy weather if light fill soil is used on clayland.

Plant the tree at the same depth it

grew in the nursery row. Look at the colors to determine the soil line: the bark is gray and the root is dark brown.

Cut off the top half of the tree at planting to balance the stem and roots and to force growth close to the soil line.

Wrap the lower 18 inches of the trunk with aluminum foil to prevent side shoots, sun scald and rabbit damage. On large plantings, use a mixture of white latex paint and water (one part paint to three parts water).

Build a basin around the tree to hold water and give each tree five gallons of water immediately after planting. Make sure trees do not go longer than 14 days without water.

These are some basic steps for you to consider in planting pecan trees. Hopefully, they will lead the way in getting them into production in a few years.

For additional information on pecan trees and recommended varieties for Kinney County, contact the Kinney County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Sea World To Add Play Area

Sea World of Texas will add a new tropical paradise-themed children's play area to an ever-changing array of family attractions in time for the 1992 summer season, officials of the San Antonio marine life park announced today.

Construction of the project is just getting under way and will be completed late next spring, according to Robin D. Carson, executive vice president and general manager of Sea World of Texas.

"The addition of this children's area not only represents another substantial investment by Anheuser-Busch in Sea World and San Antonio, but also underscores an effort to make our park more child friendly," Carson said.

Families, especially children, have always been at the core of our business, and we want to reinforce the fact that Sea World is a wonderful place for education, entertainment and recreation for all ages. In

addition, by adding another quality attraction, we hope to carry some of the positive momentum we've generated this year into 1992."

The children's activity area will be called "Shamu's Happy Harbor" and is the primary focus of a multi-million-dollar expansion for '92 which also includes a new barbecue restaurant with shaded outdoor seating for 240.

Shamu's Happy Harbor will be located on two acres in the heart of Sea World and will have a distinct tropical island motif with palm tree designs and colorful wall murals decorating existing buildings in the area. It will consist of several innovative play elements that encourage children to exercise their minds as well as their bodies. Included will be water-themed components, sand play areas, slides, net climbs and sway bridges. Food and merchandise vending locations and shaded seating for adults will be offered.

January Honors Jaycees

By DORTHY PAYNE
Brackett News Writer

Jaycees are organizations that stress individual development through leadership training and civic involvement. About 75 countries have such organizations.

The U.S. Jaycees has about 5,500 local chapters and more than 250,000 members. Membership is open to all people 18 through 36 years old. Until 1984 women could join but could not vote or hold office, and they were called Jaycettes. But in that year, the Supreme Court of the U.S. ruled in a Minnesota ca-

se the Jaycees could not deny women voting privileges and other rights of full-memberships. As a result the Jaycees dropped all restrictions against women.

The U.S. Jaycees were the Young Men's Progressive Civic Assn. in 1915 in St. Louis. In 1916 the name was changed to Junior Citizens. In 1920 it became the Junior Chamber of Commerce. It became the U.S. Jaycees in 1965. The mailing address is Box 7, Tulsa, Okla., 74121. Jaycees International, who is world wide, has more than 500,000 members. Jaycees International was founded in 1944 and has headquarters in Coral Gables, Florida.

Everybody Needs A Hobby January Is National Hobby Month

By DORTHY PAYNE
Brackett News Writer

A hobby can be any type of activity people do during their leisure time. Most people take up a hobby for relaxation, pleasure or friendships, or to develop new interest. Sometimes a hobby can be the means to obtain extra income. Hobbies can be enjoyed by people of all ages. A hobby is a way to relax after periods of hard work. Hobbies can help pass the time or help patients recover from physical or mental illness.

In the past, only the wealthy could indulge in a hobby, but people today

generally have more leisure time as a result of better working conditions, also most people live longer and retire from their jobs at an earlier age.

There are all kinds of hobbies but most fall into four general categories. They are 1) the arts; 2) collecting; 3) hand crafts; 4) games and sports.

If you don't have a hobby, find one. Try photography, rock hunting, ceramics, golf, card playing, or hundreds of other ways to enjoy life.

There is something for everyone, so whatever is your bag, have it, enjoy yourself, and forget some of your problems.

Regional Blood Drive

Locally, the South Texas Regional Blood Bank, in partnership with KKYX Radio, KENS-TV and the San Antonio Light, will celebrate National Volunteer Blood Donor month by hosting its 3rd annual Donor Day on Friday, January 10 from 6:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. at the Marriott Rivercenter Hotel. Each year donors in record numbers have turned out to join in the fun and give blood during a time of great need. This year all donors will receive a free T-shirt and cholesterol screening, and drawings will be held throughout the day for boots from Harris Western Wear, and 100 steak dinners from Finkel's Salad Bar & Grill. The grand prize drawing will be a trip for two to New Orleans, courtesy of A.J. Travel. The Rivercenter Mall and the Marriott will provide free parking. Babysitting will also be available for the donor's children.

Each day, approximately 300 pints of blood are needed in order to meet the demands of the 39 counties and 65 hospitals and clinics the Blood Bank serves. Individuals who are between the ages of 17 and 72, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in good physical health may donate blood every eight weeks, and each pint of blood can help up to four patients.

"January is a time when blood banks truly need blood. Because of the holiday season, the blood supply is severely depleted," said Dr. Norman Kalmin, CEO/Medical Director for the Blood Bank. "By celebrating National Volunteer Blood Donor month, we recognize our caring

donors as well as encourage all of the citizens of south Texas to become regular blood donors."

For more information, please contact the South Texas Regional Blood Bank at 1-800-292-5534.

Livestock Show

Horse Judging

Consumer Decision

SAN ANTONIO - The entry deadline for the Horse Judging Contest at the 43rd Annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo is right around the corner. The contest will be held Sunday, February 9, at 8:00 a.m. in Horse Barn #2 on the grounds of the Joe and Harry Freeman Coliseum. The deadline to enter the contest is February 2, 1992.

Entry deadline for the 2nd Annual Consumer Decision Making Contest is January 21, 1992. The contest will take place Saturday, February 8, at 8:00 a.m. in Exhibit Hall #2. This is the only judging contest at the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo that is open to all youth. All other youth contests requires 4-H or FFA affiliation.

The 43rd Annual San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo will be held on February 5-16 at the Freeman Coliseum.

For information regarding any of the judging contest, contact the Livestock Office at 512-225-0575.

Events Planned For Winter Visitors

DEL RIO - The Del Rio Chamber of Commerce Winter Visitor Committee has arranged for a number of activities for the Winter Visitors during the month of January.

A historical tour of Del Rio on Queen City's Trolley is scheduled for Thursday, January 9, 1:30 p.m. Departure will be from the bus terminal at 114 East Greenwood and will last 2 hours and 30 minutes. Tickets are \$6.00 per person and seating is limited to 28 people.

A Bean Supper will be held Monday, January 13, 5:00 p.m. at the Hot Pit BBQ, 309-A Ave. F. Yucca Trailer Village, Hot Pit BBQ and B&M Motors are the sponsors.

A tour of the Whitehead Memorial Museum is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 14. There is a nominal fee of \$1.00 for the tour.

Del Rio National Bank will sponsor a trolley trip to Mexico for shop-

ping and dutch treat lunch on Thursday, January 16. Call the bank for reservations.

Ole' Distributors and the Winter Visitor Committee will host an afternoon of card games Friday, January 17, at the Churchwell Room located inside the Ole' Distributors at 111 Lowe Drive. Games will be from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Bring a favorite card game.

On Wednesday, January 22, Val Verde Memorial Hospital will host a tour of the hospital and program on Living Wills with a dutch treat lunch in the cafeteria. The tour will begin at 10:00 a.m. in the hospital lobby. Attendance is limited to 20. Call the Chamber office at 512-775-3551 to make reservations.

Lake Amistad Resort and Marina will host a houseboat ride on Lake Amistad Tuesday, January 28. The free rides are scheduled for 11:00 a.m., 1:00 and 3:00 p.m. Make reservations with the Chamber.

National Eye Health Month

By DORTHY PAYNE
Brackett News Writer

National Eye Health Care is in January. The eye is the organ of sight, it is our most important organ for finding out about the world around us. We use our eyes in almost everything we do, reading, working, watching movies, T.V. and many other activities. Sight is our most precious sense, and many people fear blindness more than anything else.

Doctors recommend that everyone have an eye examination shortly after birth and at least every few years until the age of 40.

Thereafter the eyes should be examined about once a year. Eye

examinations may be given by an optometrist or by an ophthalmologist.

There are several organizations that help patients who need glasses or contact lenses. Kinney County is proud of the assistance the local Lions Club give to our citizens to promote good eye health care.

Several citizens of Kinney County and Ft. Clark Springs have had successful lens implants, and are able to have normal eye sight restored, some even have 20-20 visions, and more improvements are being made in this field both resulting in better vision and control of eye diseases.

Health Care Symposium In Laredo

WASHINGTON, D.C. Congressman Albert G. Bustamante announced today that he will be hosting a symposium on border health care issues in Laredo on Tuesday, January 14, 1992.

The meeting will take place at the Cigarroa Science Building on the Laredo Junior College campus in

Laredo at 1:00 P.M. The symposium will last approximately four hours and will feature two panels moderated by Dr. Jerry Robinson of the Laredo Health Department.

Residents and interested professionals from all over South Texas are encouraged to attend the symposium.

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Kangaroo Shooting In Australia



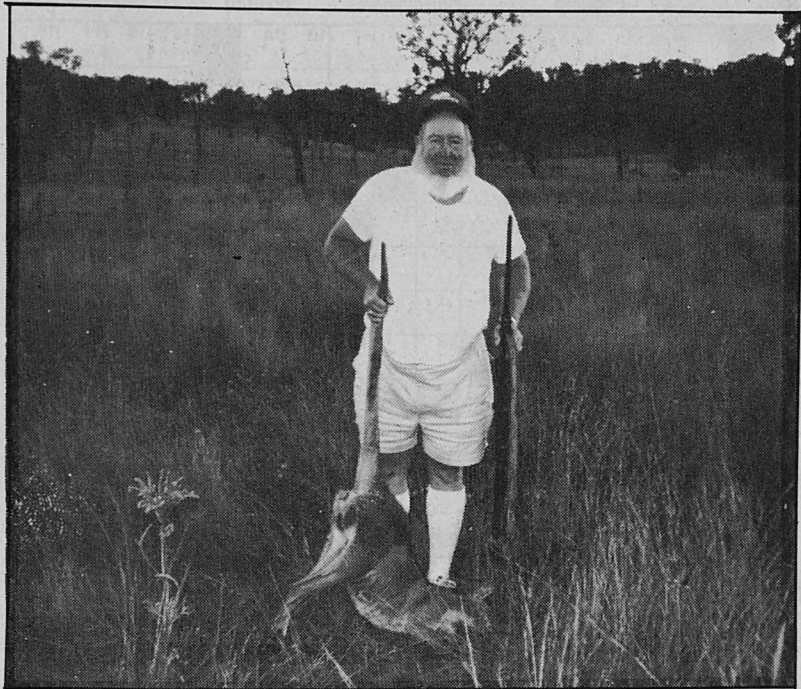
Opera House in Sydney, Australia.



Gene Barker holding Koala bear.



All livestock must be dipped for ticks before entering New South Wales.



Gene Barker at end of successful "Kangaroo shoot".

Gene Barker is a retired Master Sergeant, U. S. Army. He works at his second career each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. He is a registered nurse at Wilford Hall Medical Center - an agency nurse with Western Medical Services.

About twice a month he comes to Kinney County to spend time at his home on the Leona Ranch. He likes to hunt. In fact, he was looking for a good place to hunt when he heard of the Leona Ranch. He came to look, and that was all it took for him to become a land owner. He also has built a home on his property and spends much of his time there just relaxing away from the stress of city living. He enjoys lounging on his porch, looking at the view, watching the wildlife, and he frequently brings friends. They sometimes do target shooting.

He enjoys doing more exotic things, too, like visiting Australia which he has done eight times. The first time he went was in December 1968 for "R&R" when he was stationed in Viet Nam. Between then and September 1970, he returned five times. In 1987, he visited for a month. In 1990, he visited for two months, and is planning another trip which takes about twenty-four to thirty hours to fly "door to door" from San Antonio to Australia.

He brought three photograph albums into *The Brackett News* office from his 1990 trip. The pictures, and the tales, were so interesting, we asked permission to share some of them with our readers.

Mr. Barker has been a Mason for about fifteen years and looks for a lodge to attend when he is traveling. He visited Lodge Greenup #139 of the United Grand Lodge of Queensland, New South Wales. The lodge had about forty active members and was very formal. The men wore Tuxedo dinner suits although visitors were permitted to wear more informal coat and tie attire. The work was basically the same as he was used to in his home lodge, San Antonio #1079, although some degree work was arranged differently. It was at this lodge meeting that he met the master of the lodge, Garvin Chandler.

Mr. Chandler invited Mr. Barker to be a family guest, and to go on a kangaroo shooting (hunt). A block of land consisting of 6 - 7 acres is called

"property." Larger tracts of land are called "station." Mr. Chandler owns a station where he raises sheep and cattle who must compete with an over population of kangaroos for grass. On this hunt, they got into a vehicle (jeep) and drove out to a mob (herd) of kangaroos. Yes, Mr. Barker was a successful hunter.

He said kangaroo meat was eaten by some people but he only had some "kangaroo tail soup." Much of the meat is used for pet food. Dogs are used extensively by cattle and sheep raisers, and also in protection from feral hogs...thus, a big demand for pet food. The hides are very valuable.

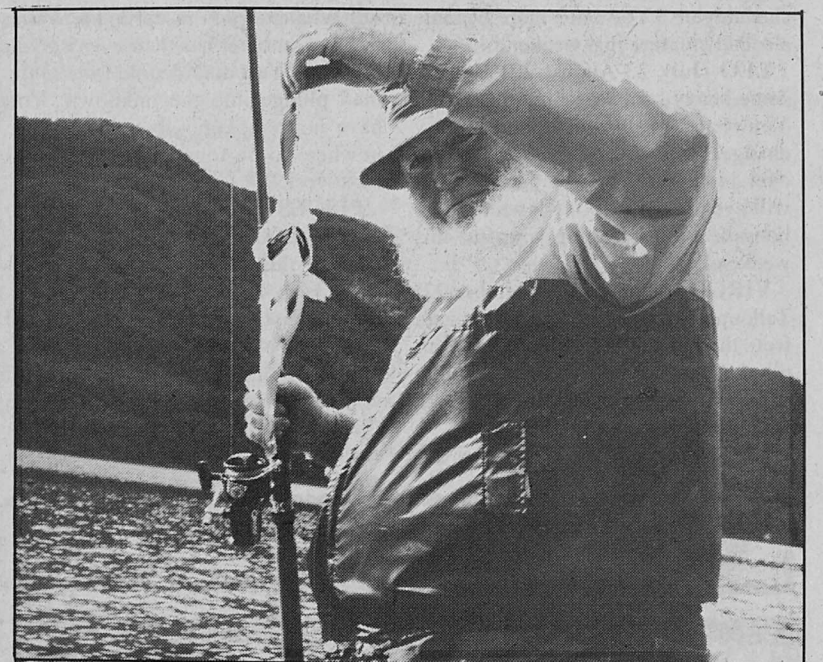
There were multitudes of rabbits. The expression goes that if one took a blind man to the right spot, turned him around, told him to fire, he would hit a rabbit. The story is that years ago someone imported a pair of European hares and they got loose, and now the rabbits are everywhere.

One of the interesting places that Mr. Barker visited was Texas, Queensland. It seems that the McDougall brothers went to Australia (no one seems to remember where from) to take up land, and after some lean years went elsewhere for better pickings. Upon their return, someone had taken over their land and after a long "battle", in 1845, their claim was finally recognized as being valid, so they just named it Texas, too.

He found that clothing was very expensive, and that super unleaded gasoline was \$4.00 a gallon. Their currency has a different size and color for each denomination...the greater the dollar value, the larger the size. The Australians were amazed that American currency was all the same size and color.

He was invited to visit in schools and talk to the students. He was asked about Texas, Batman, cowboys, Indians - all these he could discuss but was stumped when asked if he knew *The New Kids On The Block*.

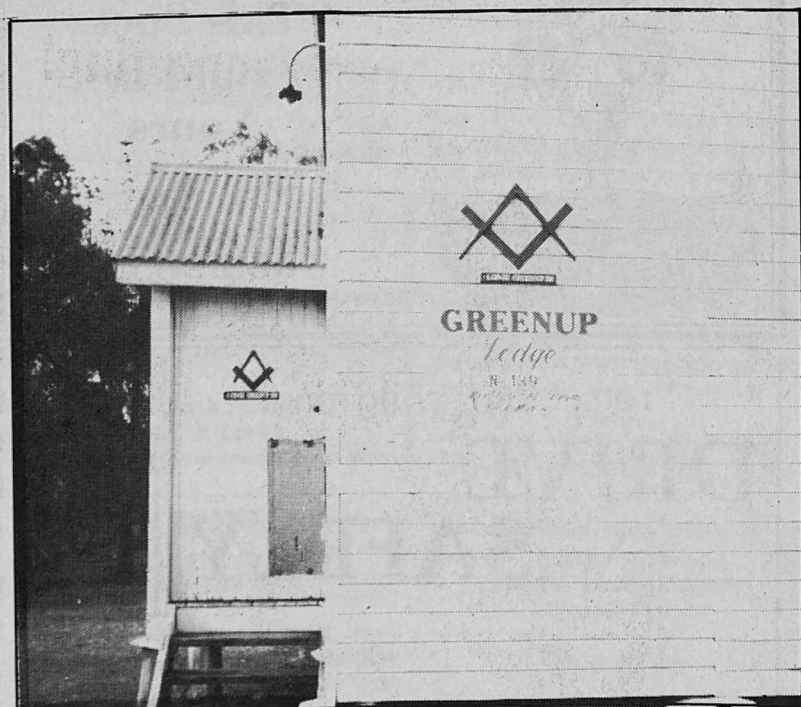
When Mr. Barker is enjoying life at the Leona Ranch and doesn't feel in the mood to cook, he comes into town to eat at one of the local restaurants. If you see him, introduce yourself. You will enjoy visiting with him.



Gene caught this redfin at Burrinjik Lake State Park in southern New South Wales.



Texas Memorial Hall, New South Wales, Australia.



Lodge Hall where Gene met Garvin Chandler.



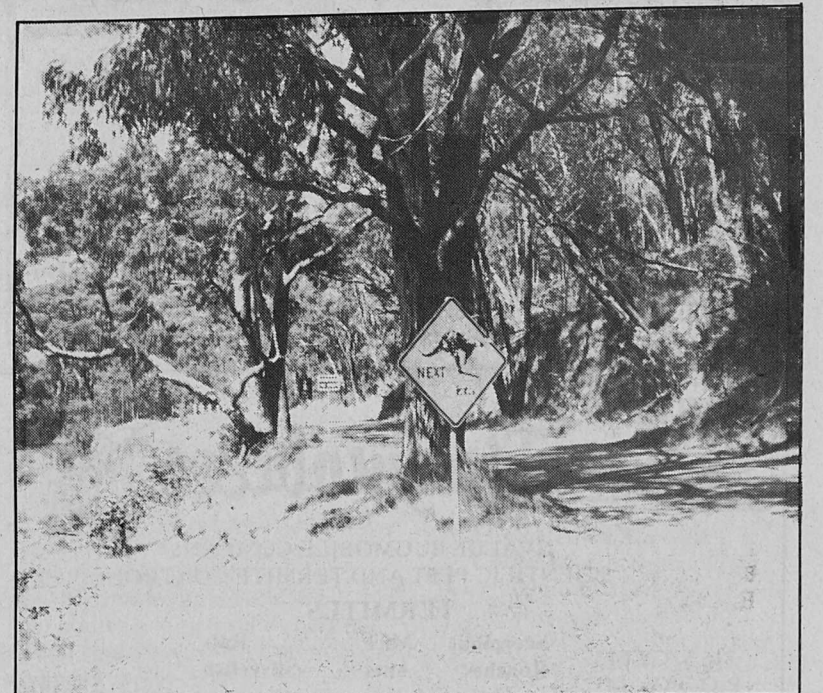
Parrots feed on porch at Chandler home.



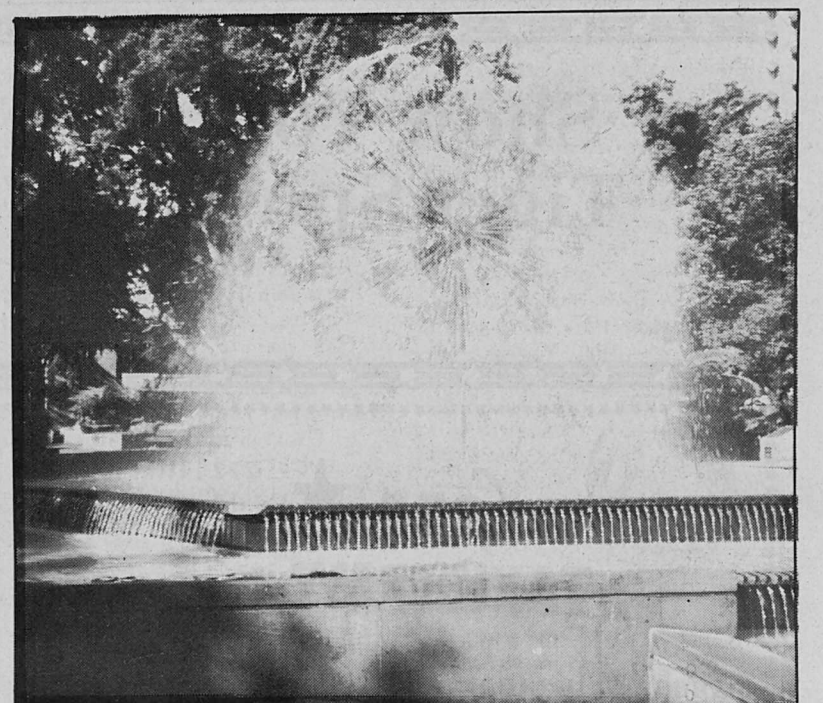
Mama and baby come to visit.



Corner stone of first church in Australia.



Kangaroo Crossing.



World War II Memorial, Australia.

Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your focus may be work and friends this week — it could also be intimacy and nurturing. You soar into the week ready for adventure and ... yes, a walk on the wild side. Your need to be an upstanding citizen bogs you down by the weekend. Please, where's your "ramminess?"

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Let another lead you to greener pastures. You actually could be spoon fed ... follow along and relish the occasion. The weekend may have you romping in this new field or back to daydreaming about still other pastures. Such wanderlust, Taurus.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your directness is being requested by a family member. They may withdraw to bring you forth. You cease to play games — you go out and paint the town red the end of the week. You find yourself in the lullaby of your life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You make all your resolutions, perhaps a little too early, and are off on a major adventure. You may start celebrating a little too early as well because you fall flat before the weekend. Who's surprised with all the recent shenanigans? You once more become a social creature this weekend.

LEO (July 23-August 22) You do some heavy soul searching this week. You're also likely to make some heavy changes. Let your playful spirit take over just; you'll be a happier cat (so will everyone else). Get down to some housekeeping (cleaning your fur) this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Talk up a storm; consider a recent gain from the fall, and DON'T change your mind. Catch up on friends' news. You demonstrate your magic this weekend. Memorable events are likely.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22)

Your materialistic side could get you into enormous trouble as the week begins. Give it up. Reach out for loved ones, friends, and foes this week. Stay on course; you'll get your just desserts by fall, if not sooner in a more ephemeral way.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) You're the cat's meow as the week begins. You could fall flat (no betting on the football games). You rise to the occasion this weekend — and who's this old friend returning?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) Flagrant mopiness, indecision, and irritability could be your hallmark this week — don't worry, you stage a comeback. Big time. You open up to the lighter side of the week and the mirthful qualities of your sign. You end the week on a high note — very high.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Go for it as the week begins. You're likely to lasso in just what you want and vanish with your prize (quick as you can!). Hide out and leave others to their imaginations. You reappear (mum's the word) this weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) Whatever you're up to, know one thing — another has their eyes on you big time. You may decide to take the mad plunge into the unknown. You have no complaints, but then you're nowhere to be found ... at least until next week.

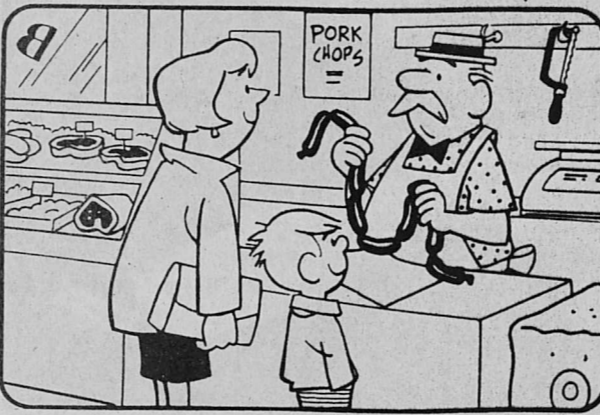
PISCES (February 19-March 20) Forget daydreaming. You're likely to take off this week to make your fantasies real. This is likely to be an unforgettable time for you. Take notepad and pencil along so you can start writing your memoirs now. This weekend you're all grins... what's this, the Cheshire cat?

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Vision Teaser



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Letter is smaller; 2. Purse is moved; 3. There are more sausages; 4. Sign is different; 5. Shirt is different; 6. Saw is different.

Super Crossword

- ACROSS 1 Refinery refuse 5 Capital of Morocco 10 Yawned 15 Diamonds and rubies 19 — sapiens 20 Wear away 21 Sheepish? 22 Fail to include 23 Amalekite king 24 "— Marnet" 25 President of Malawi 26 Emerald Isle 27 Deteriorate 29 Refrain syllable 31 Increase one's speed 33 Wanders idly 34 Georgia's pride 36 Resort city 37 Diet-fashions remedy for sprains, etc. 40 Predatory birds 42 Ferber output 46 Ark groupings 47 High note 48 Day or Duke 50 Himalayan country 51 Pedestal occupant 52 "Mending Wall" poet 54 Consumer advocate 56 Hindu hero 57 Pen point 58 Roof workers 60 English critic and author 62 Allurophile's pet 63 Keeps company? 64 Heckled 65 Boat and barn followers 67 Longfellow's specialty 69 Long lunch? 70 Early slaves 71 Actor 72 Kind of syrup or beverage 75 Badger's cousin 76 Travel to foreign lands 80 Motorist's org. 81 Deauville dreams 83 Reorganizes to meet new needs 85 Spanish river 86 Warm and comfortable 88 Word before trap or wish 90 Bridge support 91 Large umbrella 92 Eskimo block house 94 Noted violinist 96 Thirst quencher 97 Gift recipient 98 Big Bird's Street 100 Polish lake region 102 Heckled 103 Howard and Perlman 105 Brazilian seaport 106 Broad smile 107 Exceed the limits of good taste 111 Mil. group 112 Attending social affairs 116 Name of baseball brothers 117 Dispatch boat 119 Oxlike antelope 121 Location 122 House plant 123 Water wheel 124 Make merry 125 Suffixes indicating sugars 126 "If music be the — of love..." 127 River in England 128 Cubic meter 129 Cozy place DOWN 1 "Both" — "Now" (song) 2 Trademark 3 Word in Latin I 4 60s dancer 5 Mignonette 6 First sign of spring? 7 Adventurous 8 Political org. 9 Bed canopy 10 Betray 11 Miss Gardner 12 Metallic sound 13 Home of Saul's witch 14 Overwhelm with noise 15 Examines thoroughly 16 Discharge 17 Bog 18 Follower for young or speed 28 Cul-de — (dead ends) 30 Speakeasy closer? 32 Presently 34 Aspect 35 Announcers of a sort 37 Mimicking 38 One of the media 39 She wept for her children 40 Tree-dwelling vegetarian 41 "Both" — "Now" (song) 43 Excess of solar year 44 Truman's Missouri birthplace 45 Having a bluish-gray color 47 Muse of poetry 49 Stitch 52 Played at romance 53 Lover's meeting 55 Revokes 58 Make a solemn promise 59 More rational 61 Service trees 64 " — Walks in Beauty" 66 Lease again 68 Always, to a poet 70 Camera big-wig 71 Silly one 72 Desert haven 73 Singer's pride 74 Frenchmen 75 Region or sphere 76 Dutch cheese 77 Female figure in prayer posture 78 Evangelist McPherson 79 Drugged 82 Victory sign 84 Worn track 87 Circulate 89 Makes an attempt 91 Unacceptable actions 93 Melville novel 95 Tasty nibbles 97 Rangoon measure 99 — terrible (unmanageable child) 101 Indy 500 contestants 102 Head harness 104 Enjoy with appreciation 106 One beyond help 107 Foolish talk: slang 108 Bread spread 109 Picador's foe 110 Laugh, in Paris 112 Donated 113 River in France 114 Indians 115 Examine for flaws 118 Wrongdoing 120 Permit

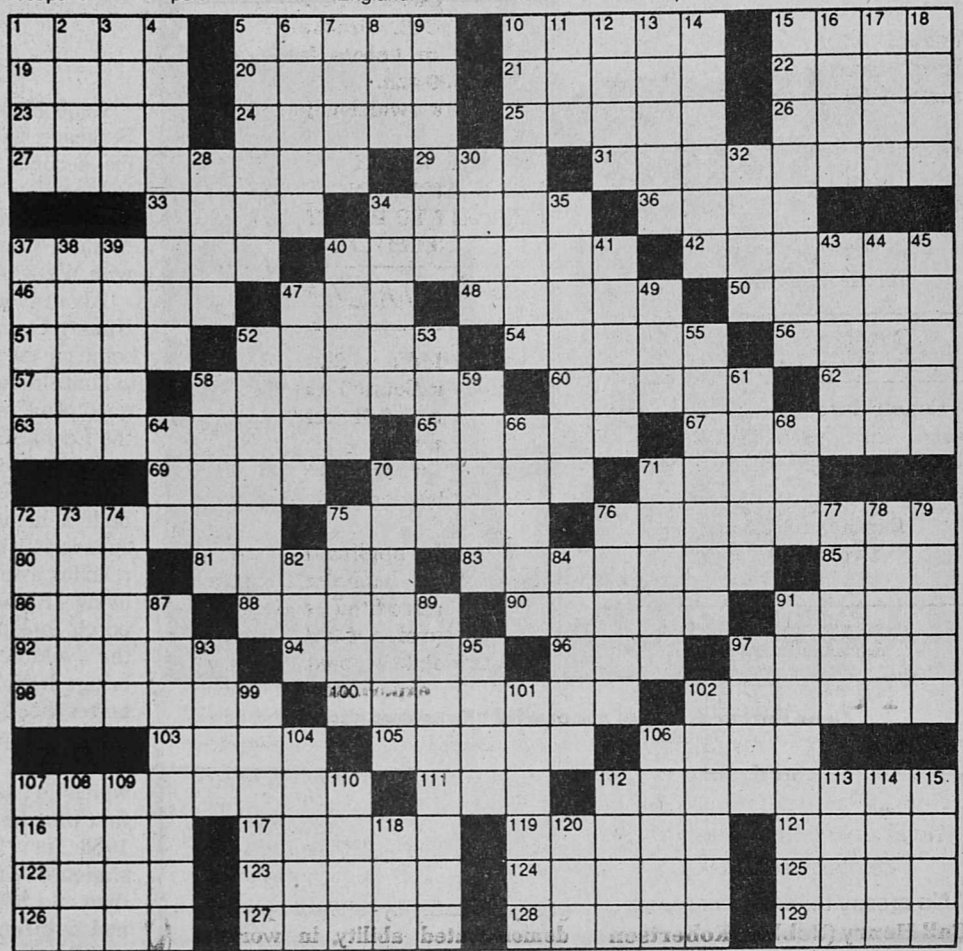
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions-forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

- Bean Chili Minestrone Tomato
Bifocchi Chowder Onion Vegetable
Cheese Egg drop Potato Wonton
Chicken Gazpacho Split pea



Kinney County Livestock Show, January 17-18

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Meditations

by Preston Taylor

I like the story about the squirrel that missed his target in a leap from one tree limb to another. The little animal didn't have a parachute and his collision with the ground left him unconscious for a few minutes. That which gets my attention about the near tragedy is that no one stomped him while he was down. The Bible tells about a woman who was taken in an act of adultery. The man got away. That which we appreciate about the affair is the ending of the story. Jesus showed kindness to the accused. He didn't "cut

her to pieces." She walked away from the "kangaroo court" a forgiven, encouraged person. The story of Jonah is fact. The prophet's predicament in the belly of the big fish doesn't fascinate us nearly as much as Jonah's "second chance." God gave the run-away rebel another opportunity of service. Three things we welcome: No "clobbering" while we're down, forgiveness when we've gone astray and a fresh beginning from God when we fail. And we all welcome this three-fold approach from others, don't we?

News from . . .

First Baptist Church



Gil and Annie Ash

Gil Ash of Del Rio has accepted a call to serve as interim pastor of the First Baptist Church, Brackettville. He and his wife, Annie, have been at the church the past two Sundays. Rev. Ash preached both the morning and evening sermons on those days.

two teen-age sons. They have started, and pastored, churches but are now members of the North Side Baptist Church where he serves as a deacon. They plan to go into full time ministry again in the near future. He operates the Daytona Discount Tire Company on Avenue F, and she is a nurse at a Del Rio High School.

A cordial invitation is extended to worship at the First Baptist Church and be blessed with the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Ash. Sunday morning service is at 11:00. Sunday and Wednesday evening services are at 6:00.

Mrs. Ash is an accomplished soloist and brought special messages in song at the morning services. In the evenings, she was joined by her husband in singing. He also plays the guitar. Natives of Oklahoma, Rev. and Mrs. Ash have lived in Del Rio for about seventeen years. They have

Frontier Baptist Church

by Joe Townsend

Sunday will find another choice day of worship at Frontier Baptist Church. The highlight of the day will be sermon by the pastor, Joe R. Townsend. This message will be cushioned by enjoyable congregational singing of familiar and beloved hymns and

gospel songs. Prayer will be voiced for particular individuals who are ill or who have various types of problems. Frontier Baptist Church is dedicated to Christianity and concerned less about churchanity. Come and see!

The Bible Says

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." This verse of Scripture, the first in the Bible, holds a veritable mountain of information. God was there before the beginning and it was He who began the beginning. The word for God used in this verse reveals the trinity - the true God. In the Hebrew language there are three categories. First is singular (one) then dual (two) and finally plural (three or more). The word used for God in this instance was Elohim. The ending "him" is the plural form - three. The word for "created" is "bara." The

ending "a" indicates third person singular. This would mean "He created." Elohim (the 3-fold God - He created.) The one God (Trinity) created. So the first verse in the Bible portrays the Trinity, God - the great three in one. God the Father, The Holy Spirit, and the Son, Jesus, all as one created the heavens and the earth. Despite the fallacious mouthings of some "so called" scientists, there has yet to be found a more reasonable or acceptable explanation of the beginning of the world. "In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church

St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church will publish a 1992 Pictorial Directory, in color, this February. It will contain the families of the church, the staff, and a complete roster of addresses. Appointment times may be reserved by signing up on the sheet at the entrance of the church. Once you have signed up, with complete address and telephone number, you will be called within the next week

and an appointment will be set up for you and your family to have your photo taken. Each family photographed, and who views their proofs, will receive a complimentary 8x10 color portrait along with a copy of the church directory at no cost. Additional photos will be available for purchase at the time the proofs are viewed. See you at the sign up table at the entrance of the church.

Human Resources Month



Kinney County Human Resources Staff Janice Garley, Anna Cano, and Margaret Reyes.

Kinney County Human Resources offices are run by Janice Garley, Clerk III; Margaret Reyes, and Anna Cano, Eligibility Specialists I. Kinney County is part of the Texas Department of Human Resources. The Department offers many services, among them are the food stamp program; AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children); Wings, a Program for welfare in Texas; AFDC-Unemployed Parent, (AFDC-UP) program. Jobs, medicare and daycare benefits are all part of Wings. Referrals are made to the Attorney General's Office in Del Rio; Child Protective Service; Adult Protective Service; Medicare; and Aid to Household With Dependent Children Under Age 18. There are other services such as eye care, hearing aids, dental care, help with job opportunities and Basic Skills Training. If you have any questions or wish any counseling drop by your Kinney County Human Resources office. The ladies who work there will be glad to set up an interview with you.

Val Verde Health Fair

Plans are well underway for the annual Health Fair sponsored by Val Verde Memorial Hospital and Plaza Del Sol Mall. This annual event will be held Saturday, February 29, 1992, at Plaza Del Sol Mall from 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Health care agencies interested in participating may contact Dava Cloudt, Public Relations Director at Val Verde Memorial Hospital, 512-775-8566, Ext. 250.

BVFD Gets Help From Burger-N-Shake

The Burger-N-Shake deserves a special note of recognition. They are encouraging customers to drop their change into a receptacle placed next to the cash register...the note on the receptacle reads "For the Brackettville Volunteer Fire Department."

Mr. Finch said he was pleased with the response, and the Fire Department must be pleased, too.

THANK YOU

Mrs. Fred Frerich and family wish to thank all the friends and relatives who provided support, prayers, food, floral tributes, memorial fund donations, and their presence during our time of loss.

A special thanks to Father David Zumaya, the Altar Boys, and the Knights of Columbus.

FREE SEMINAR!

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Church Directory



- St. Andrews Episcopal Church:** Henderson & Fort. Sunday Church Service 10:30 A.M. Vicar: Rev. Bill Koons - 512-563-2071.
- Frontier Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 A.M., Sunday Evening Service 6:00 P.M. Joe Townsend, Pastor - 563-2158.
- First Baptist Church (A Southern Baptist Church):** 307 N. Ann Street. Sunday School 9:45 A.M., Sunday Worship Services 11:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M. Wednesday Worship 6:00 P.M..
- Church of Christ:** Sunday School 9:30 A.M., Worship Service 10:30 A.M., Bible Study, Sunday 6:30 P.M., Bible Study, Wednesday 7:00 P.M.
- St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church:** Masses Mon. & Fri. 7:00 A.M., Wed. & Sat., 6:30 P.M., Sunday (Spanish) 8:00 A.M. reg. 10:30 A.M. Confessions Wed. and Sat. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Wed. 6:00 P.M. Religion Classes Sun. 9:00 A.M. Prayer Meeting (Spanish) Wed. 7:00 P.M. Father David G. Zumaya, Pastor.
- First United Methodist Church:** "Celebrate and Witness" Morning Fellowship 9:30 A.M., Church School Classes 9:45 A.M., Service of Worship 11:00 A.M., Choir Rehearsal Wed. 5:00 P.M. Gordon Miller, Pastor.

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Guidelines For Screening Mammography Established by the American Cancer Society.

- I. 35-40 years of age - One baseline mammogram.
- II. 40-50 years of age - A mammogram every 1-2 years depending on breast type and risk factor.
- III. 50 years of age and over - An annual physical examination and annual mammogram.
- IV. Asymptomatic women under 50 years of age with significant high risk factors should be examined at appropriate intervals. These risk factors include previous breast cancer and family history of cancer.

V. A symptomatic woman should have a mammogram at any age when she experiences a mass, nipple discharge, skin changes or unexplained breast pain.

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